

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 1, 2004.

Claims 24-28 are cancelled. Claims 1-15 and 18-23 are pending.

Claims 1-15 and 18-23 are allowed.

Claims 24 and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee (6,713,936) in view of Takahashi (6,548,922).

Claims 26-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee in view of Perucchi (US 4,417,166) and Martin (US 3,676,577).

Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections in view of the amended claims and the following comments.

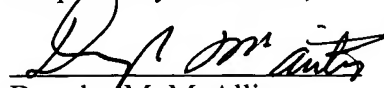
Discussion of Amended Claims

Claims 24-28 are cancelled. The remaining claims, 1-15 and 18-23, have been allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider this application, allow each of the pending claims and to pass this application on to an early issue. If there are any remaining issues that need to be addressed in order to place this application into condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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